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Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

For:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above identified application.

No additional fee is required.

Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified

statement previously submitted.

A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

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Also attached:

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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Total Claims	31	31	0	\$18.00 =	\$0.00
Independent Claims	8	8	0	\$80.00 =	\$0.00
		Multiple claims newly presented			\$0.00
Fee for extension of time				\$0.00	
					\$0.00
		Total of Above Calculations			\$0.00

Please charge my Deposit Account No. 500417 in the amount of \$0.00. An additional copy of this transmittal sheet is submitted herewith.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 500417, including any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for presentation of extra claims and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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